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posium in their programmes and have requested addresses from Service officers. Several requests have been received from lay organizations. These have been complied with in every instance and it is believed that much good has resulted therefrom. This method of procedure should result in the discovery and eradication of any latent foci possibly existing in the smaller and more isolated towns.

Dr. Blue further reports plague-prevention work at San Francisco carried out during the week ended November 9:

Sick inspected .....	61
Plague cases found .....	4
Dead inspected .....	68
Plague among dead inspected .....	2
Premises inspected .....	5, 108
Houses disinfected .....	63
Houses destroyed .....	6
Nuisances abated .....	296
Rats found dead .....	493
Rats trapped .....	2, 162
Bounty rats received .....	1, 231
Poisons placed .....	215, 714
Rats examined bacteriologically .....	1, 138
Rats found infected with bacillus pestis .....	17

#### *Plague-prevention work at Oakland, Cal.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon Blue reports, November 11:

*Antiplague operations in Oakland, Cal., week ended November 9.*

Sick inspected .....	7
Dead inspected .....	36
Premises inspected .....	2, 901
Houses disinfected .....	12
Nuisances abated .....	410
Rats found dead .....	70
Rats trapped .....	421
Poisons placed .....	29, 885
Notices served .....	124
Ships inspected .....	36
Notices served to ships .....	124
Necropsies held .....	3

#### *Outgoing quarantine transactions.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon Hobdy reports, November 6:

Week ended November 2. One hundred and eighty-two vessels were certified to. Of this number 116 were disinfected, and 66 previously disinfected were certified to as having observed the required precautions. The work is progressing satisfactorily.

#### *Report from Los Angeles, Cal.—Work of sanitation and rat destruction.*

Surgeon Brooks reports, November 12:

The following is a summary of the work of sanitation and rat destruction performed in the two weeks ended November 7.

Total for two weeks ended November 7:

Inspections by physicians, 943; inspections by sanitary inspectors, 7,600; inspections by assistant sanitary inspectors, 23,419; vacant places cleaned, 586; occupied places cleaned, 1,071; alleys cleaned, 4;